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DEATH.

COCHRANE.—On February 22nd, at Shanghai, HUGH BOYD COCHRANE (Pilot), aged 47 years.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG FEBRUARY 23RD, 1914.

The recent changes made in the Chinese Cabinet are not calculated to inspire confidence in the capacity of the Government to make any substantial progress with the great schemes of reform which have been announced. If progress is to be made it is essential that the statesmen responsible for the initiation of reforms should remain in office to work for their realisation. Unhappily, for the fifth time in twenty months, a new Cabinet has had to be formed. Hsueh Hsi-ling, who, since September last, has acted both as Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, has resigned because, according to his letter of resignation, he "lacks ability and statesmanship," and because "the burdens are heavy and my energy is exhausted." He represents that during his administration "the financial resources of the country have not increased, the official service has not been purified, the defences of the frontier remain unstrengthened and the interior administration is still disturbed by brigandage." It is obvious, of course, that these are polite excuses for a step prompted by quite other reasons. No statesman, however able he may be, could ever hope to put China's house in order in the brief space of five months. It is a task which requires long and patient labour as well as intelligent and firm direction, and the real

explanation of Hsueh Hsi-ling's resignation is probably, not that he distrusts his own ability, but that he perceives that the recent decision of the Administrative Conference to deprive the Cabinet of responsibility and invest entire responsibility for the Government of the country in the President weakens the influence and authority which, as Prime Minister, should be his, if he is to undertake to inaugurate the reforms announced by him some time ago as the considered programme of the Ministry. His resignation has been followed by that of the Minister of Education and the Minister of Justice. The Chief Secretary of the Cabinet has tendered his resignation also, but this the President is reported to have abruptly declined to accept. From the *Peking Daily News*, a paper which is regarded as the organ of the Government, we learn that there is "painful anxiety" among the departmental officials regarding the insecurity of their positions; and the following comment from the columns of our semi-official contemporary is certainly illuminating: "It can be safely predicted that the present Administration that has begun many things under the last Cabinet will finish few. The worst of all is that the Civil Service is marked by that amount of inefficiency which will not ensure good results to the country. The people are fully alive to the blighting effect of corrupt practices and the insecurity of official positions, but they are patiently waiting for a better system to be adopted."

We further learn, from the same source, that there is great reluctance among capable men to accept official appointments, because "dismissals and appointments are made with amazing ease." "One often hears that a person has declined an offer from the Government because should he become an official he will be compelled to graft or starve." Moreover, honest men upon whom offices are thrust are frequently ousted in order to make room for those who have more influence than ability and integrity. While this can be said of the Civil Service in China there can be little prospect of good administrative work. One more quotation may be made: "Nowadays in China anybody can be somebody without much difficulty if he has either money or official backing. . . . A person who has no education occupies a minor position to-day, but to-morrow, through illicit means or favouritism, he may be appointed Bureau Chief or Chinese Minister to a foreign country with the title of *Envoy Extraordinaire et Ministre Plenipotentiaire*. In some cases such appointments are made simply in consideration of family ties, and in other cases because of friendship. It is further observed that at present if an official is discharged or removed, he is stripped of his official title and he becomes a common citizen. If he joins the Civil Service again, he may be given a post ranking below the one he previously held. Lately a Consul-General, on his return to China, was made a small clerk." Such an indignity as this was not possible under the Monarchy and it ought not to be possible under the Republic. So long as these conditions prevail it can cause no surprise if the Civil Service of China ceases to attract the best men. In recent Mandates the President has been trenchantly denouncing inefficiency and corruption in the Provincial administrations, but it would seem from what the semi-official organ says that the President's attention might well be directed to the conditions prevailing in the Government offices in the Capital. Until Ministers can be found who will stick to their posts for a reasonable period of time, and, more important still, until honest and efficient permanent officials are guaranteed security of tenure in their posts and the dishonest and incompetent are excluded from Government service, it is vain to hope for steady and solid progress in any branch of the general scheme of reform which has been promulgated.

The French and German mails of the 23rd and 24th January were delivered in London on the 23rd February.

The first steamers to visit Newchwang were expected to arrive there on the 23rd inst. Last year the port opened on 23rd March.

Harbin papers state that Russia is strengthening her force in North Manchuria, where she is to have 40,000 troops, to be principally used along the new railway and river routes in the north.

A Tientsin paper says it understands that necessary arrangements are being completed for the erection of a new and up-to-date hotel, to cater for first-class foreign traffic, by a limited company in Peking. The site, plans, and other matters in connection therewith are all obtained, and the capital fully promised.

A number of Chinese were arrested whilst smoking opium in a house in Queen's Road West. They were charged at the Magistracy yesterday, and the first man, alleged to be the keeper, was fined \$50 and the remainder \$3 each.

The directors of the Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd., will recommend at the annual general meeting the payment of a final dividend for the year 1913 of Tls. 3 per share and the transfer of Tls. 25,000 to repairs account.

Dr. Goodnow, adviser to the Chinese Government on Constitutional matters, has accepted the Presidency of the John Hopkins University, Baltimore, and leaves Peking about the middle of July, the Government having released him from his agreement.

All interested in cotton spinning, weaving, and dyeing at Shanghai have been invited to attend a meeting to be held at Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. (Shanghai), on the 2nd March, to form a Millowners' Association and to elect a committee.

The friends of Mr. F. W. Webb, formerly of Lloyd's Register, Singapore, will hear with regret of the death of his wife at Cardiff. She has been ailing for years, and Mr. Webb joined the staff of Lloyd's British Register of Shipping in Cardiff in the hope that the climate there would suit her state of health on leaving Singapore.

A fire broke out at No. 293, Queen's Road Central, a little before 10 o'clock last night. The premises are but a short distance from the Central Fire Station, and the prompt attendance of the Fire Brigade, under Chief Inspector Gourlay, resulted in the saving of the first floor, occupied by the Lai Chung firm, general merchants. The first and second floors were badly burned, and the first floor was damaged by water.

Whilst on patrol in the New Territory a hukong noticed a man passing whose countenance seemed familiar. He called upon the man to stop, as he suspected him of being a returned banished, but the man took to his heels. With the object of frightening the runaway, the constable fired his revolver in the man's direction. The bullet grazed the latter's arm, and he promptly pulled up. The hukong's suspicion being verified, the banished appeared before the Magistrate yesterday, and was committed for trial at the Criminal Sessions. The defendant caused amusement by remarking in defence that it was the duty of any man who was pursued to run.

THE JAPANESE RELIEF FUND.

The Japanese Relief Fund Committee announce with thanks the following further contributions:—	
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Total on the 27th Feb. ... \$5,032.00

LOCAL SPORT.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

THE GREAT CUP CONTEST.

The Army meet the Club on the latter's ground at Happy Valley this afternoon in what should be the final struggle for the Championship. The kick off is advertised for 4.15 p.m. The teams are as follows:—
Club: Backs, C. F. Maitby; Three-quarter Backs, A. N. Joseland, A. L. Gace, W. A. Nowers, and R. S. Kemp; Forward: Half-Backs, Jasper Clark and H. S. Rouse (Capt.); Forwards, J. C. Hall, C. Woodhead, A. Murdock, J. C. Taylor, H. F. Hegarty, R. F. Walker, J. Watson and A. P. Deane.
Army: Back, Lt. V. G. Smyth R.A.; Three-quarter Backs, Lt. P. R. M. Collins R.A., Lt. J. A. Pym R.A. (Capt.), Lt. W. Leslie R.A. and Lt. H. G. Bagnall R.A.; Half-Backs, Lt. C. O. Taylor R.A. and Lt. R. C. Blagrove D.C.L.I.; Forwards: Lt. E. M. F. Mombler R.E., Capt. C. H. Tyrrell 25th P.I., Lt. J. E. Shearer 28th P.I., Lt. F. W. Thicknesse R.A., Lt. P. Nevill R.A., Lt. T. E. Bisdee D.C.L.I., Lt. E. L. Peake D.C.L.I. and Lt. A. W. Batson D.C.L.I. The referee is Lieut. C. G. B. Coltart R.N. Everything promises an exciting game and an exhibition of good football. Devotees of the "carrying code" are looking forward to a rare afternoon's enjoyment and are expected to roll up in large numbers to support their respective teams from the touch line.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

C.S.C. v. KOWLOON.

This match takes place to-day on the Civil Service Ground. Civil Services will be represented by "B. E. O. Birds" (Capt. A. E. Sutherland, F. A. Biden, E. R. Reed, Hon. Mr. C. Seren, A. O. Brown, G. Saver, A. E. W. Salt, H. Foster, R. C. Barlow, and P. Jacks.

TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

UNIONIST GAIN AT LEITH.

NARROW VICTORY IN THREE-CORNERED CONTEST.

LONDON, February 27th.

The result of the bye-election at Leith Burghs is as follows:—
Currie (Unionist) 5,159
Smith (Liberal) 5,143
Bell (Labour) 3,348

Unionist Majority over Liberal, 16
Unionist Majority over Labour 1,813

In the previous election in 1910 the result was:—Rt. Hon. Munro Ferguson (Liberal), 7,009; F. A. MacQuiston (Unionist), 5,384.

The bye-election was occasioned by the appointment of Sir Munro Ferguson to be Governor-General of Australia.

The election of a Conservative, for the first time in the history of Leith, is most surprising, as the Liberal nominee was a strong one, being the Provost. The great increase in the Labour vote was totally unexpected.

The result of the polling was announced too late to be dealt with in the editorials of the morning papers.

The *Morning Post*, in a brief leaderette, says a contributory cause of the result was the deportation of Labour leaders in South Africa, which was doing infinite harm among the workers. The journal adds: "The contest at Leith is only the beginning of a controversy which we regard with the gravest forebodings."

The result was vociferously cheered by the Unionists in the House of Commons.

Mr. Lloyd George, speaking "on time," reported to the gibes of the Opposition by saying that "compared with 1890 we have a majority of 3,000 for Home Rule and Land Reforms."

Mr. Currie, when interviewed, said "It is Scotland's notice to quit." The election, he declared, was fought chiefly on the question of Home Rule.

Mr. Smith admitted that the result was disappointing, and that it was in the nature of a calamity.

Mr. Bonar Law has telegraphed to Mr. Currie:—"The victory will appear as the crowning mercy to the Loyalists of Ireland."

RETURN OF MAWSON
EXPEDITION.

WONDERFUL COLLECTION OF SPECIMENS.

ADELAIDE, February 27th.

The *Aurora*, the ship of the Mawson Expedition to the Antarctic, has arrived here.

Dr. Mawson, in the course of an interview, said that the expedition had been eminently successful, and perhaps the best scientific results which had been obtained in the Antarctic were the indications of vast coalfields. He also has a wonderful collection of specimens, including minerals, some of which were rich deposits, especially of copper.

Much discomfort was experienced owing to the terrific winds, which were frequently gauged at over two hundred miles an hour.

NOT A "NEGRO KINGDOM"

LONDON, February 27th.

Reuter's Agency learns that no question has arisen about the establishment of a new native State on the Gold Coast.

The facts are that the Governor has asked the Imperial Government to inquire of the United States regarding Sam, who is negotiating for a concession from a Gold Coast Chief. It is a purely commercial deal.

ACTIVITY OF THE TSAR

AROUSING INTEREST IN RUSSIA.

St. Petersburg, February 27th.

The subject which is engrossing public interest in Russia is the announcement that the Tsar, presiding over a recent meeting of the Cabinet, expressed himself as being strongly interested in the realisation of constitutional reforms, and affirmed that the time had come for ending the differences between the various departments of State, and for co-operation between the Government, the Duma, and the Council of Empire.

It is understood that the new Premier, M. Goremykin, is carrying out the will of the Tsar.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CHINESE STUDENTS IN LONDON.

LONDON, February 27th.

With reference to the statement that the Chinese students in London have been ordered home, it is explained by the Legation that the order only applies to fifteen or twenty from Hunan, for the reason that, owing to the unrest in Hunan, the Provincial Government is unable to bear the expense of maintenance.

BUENOS AYRES LOAN.

PEKING, February 27th.

The City of Buenos Ayres loan of two and a half millions sterling has been closed.

NEW WHITE STAR LINER
LAUNCHED.

LONDON, February 27th.

The White Star liner *Britannic*, 50,000 tons burthen, was successfully launched at Belfast yesterday in the presence of vast crowds of people, despite the rain.

DEVELOPMENT IN AFRICA.

LONDON, February 27th.

The Niger Company propose to increase their capital, which is now £500,000, by £2,500,000, in view of the development arising from the opening up of railways, and the expected developments in consequence of the union of the two Protectorates. If this proposal be sanctioned, the Directors will issue at least £300,000 immediately, and a further £1,000,000 in 5 per cent. preference shares. Messrs. Lever Brothers are underwriting the loan.

DEPORTEES DINE AT
WESTMINSTER.

LONDON, February 27th.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, M.P., presided last night at a dinner in the so-called Strangers' Dining-room in the House of Commons to the deportees. Upwards of 100 prominent members of the Labour Party attended. The proceedings were private, but it is understood that Messrs. Bain and Poutsma (from South Africa) replied to the toast.

A certain amount of curiosity was shown by members watching the dinner-party gathering from the Lobby, but there were no incidents.

ANGLO-AMERICAN PEACE
COMMISSIONS.

AMERICAN PROPOSAL TO BE CONSIDERED WITH COLONIES.

LONDON, February 27th.

Sir Edward Grey announced in the House of Commons that the Imperial Government were considering proposals from the United States for a Treaty establishing Peace Commissions to examine and report upon subjects in dispute. The draft seemed generally acceptable, but it must be considered with the self-governing Colonies, as a special provision was required to meet their interests.

BASEBALL IN LONDON.

KING GEORGE AMONG 50,000 PERPLEXED SPECTATORS.

LONDON, February 27th.

His Majesty the King, the American Ambassador (Dr. Page), and a crowd estimated at 50,000 watched a baseball match at Chelsea, in which Chicago beat New York by 5 to 4. The crowd applauded the cleverness of the players, but appeared to be perplexed.

FRENCH CRUISER RE-FLOATED.

LONDON, February 27th.

The French cruiser *Waldeck Rousseau*, which went aground in the Gulf of Juan, has been refloated.

THE DISASTER TO THE
"EKLIPTIKA."

21 PERSONS PERISH.

CORUNNA, February 27th.

The *Waldenfels* sighted the *Eklipika* drifting and damaged. They launched boats, but the *Eklipika* disappeared bows first.

The *Waldenfels* rescued 13, and the Captain, who, however, succumbed to his injuries. Twenty-one souls perished.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

AFFAIRS IN MEXICO.

PRESIDENT WILSON AND THE LANDING OF AN ARMED FORCE.

WASHINGTON, February 27th.

President Wilson, questioned regarding the rumour that President Huerta had refused to allow an American Legation guard to be sent to Mexico City, said he would send an American Admiral, and that he did not think the despatch of Marines necessary. The President added that he was unable to see any parallel to the present conditions in Mexico in the Boxer troubles in China. He was of opinion that no armed force could be landed in Mexico under International Law without provoking war, unless the Mexican authorities consented.

THE CASE OF MR. BENTON.

EXAMINATION OF BODY DEFERRED.

WASHINGTON, February 27th.

As the result of a conference between Mr. Bryan and Sir Cecil Spring-Rice, the British Ambassador, it has been decided that Mr. Perceval, the British Consul at Galveston, is not to enter Mexico to examine the body of Mr. Benton until better arrangements can be made. [Mr. Perceval had been instructed by Sir Cecil Spring-Rice to proceed to El Paso to inquire into the death of Mr. Benton.]

IMPERIAL NATURALISATION
LEGISLATION.

LONDON, February 27th.

It is understood that a Bill to promote uniformity of naturalisation of all subjects in the British Empire has been drafted by the Government. It is hoped to pass the measure this Session.

RAILWAY STRIKE IN PORTUGAL.

SEVERAL GOODS TRAINS DERAILED.

LONDON, February 27th.

A renewal of the recent railway strike in Portugal has been attended by many outrages. Several goods trains have been derailed, two by means of dynamite. Communication with Spain has been greatly delayed, the telegraph wires having been cut.

BAPTIST MISSIONARY ARRESTED
IN THE CONGO.

FOREIGN OFFICE COMMUNICATES WITH PORTUGAL.

LONDON, February 27th.

The Baptist Missionary Society has notified the Foreign Office of the arrest of the Rev. Mr. Bowskill, in the Portuguese Congo, in connection with recruiting of natives for Sao Thome and Principe. The Foreign Office is communicating with the Portuguese Government.

TRAGIC SEQUEL TO A MASKED
BALL.

MEZ, February 27th.

A duel was fought between Lieut. St. George and Lieut. Haage, who belonged to the same regiment. Lieut. Haage, who was killed, was compelled by the rules of the court of honour to challenge Lieut. St. George for his behaviour towards his wife at a masked ball.

FURTHER OUTRAGE BY
SUFFRAGETTES.

HISTORIC CHURCH AND PRICELESS SCRIPTURAL RELICS BURNED.

LONDON, February 27th.

Suffragettes set fire to and burned the historic Whitekirk Church, East Lothian. Priceless Scriptural relics were destroyed in the fire despite a gallant attempt to save them.

UNIONISTS AND HOME RULE
AMENDMENTS.

LONDON, February 27th.

The Unionist leaders have decided to move a vote of censure on the Government on the 3rd prox., for refusing to announce the suggested amendments to the Home Rule Bill.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, February 27th.

The death is announced of Sir John Tenniel and also of Canon Driver. [Sir John Tenniel is the famous artist whose cartoons were a feature of *Punch* for fifty years. He joined the staff of that journal in 1851 and retired in 1901. He was born in 1820 and had therefore reached the 94th year of his age.] [Canon Driver, of Christ Church, Oxford, is the well-known Regius Professor of Hebrew, and author of many instructive and valuable commentaries on the Bible.]

TELEGRAMS.

["DER OSTASIATISCHER LLOYD"
SERVICE.]

CHINA SERVICE.

THE DISSOLUTION OF THE
PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLIES.

PEKING, February 27th.

A majority of the Political Committee has voted for the immediate dissolution of the Provincial Diets, as being inimical to the unity of the Republic, and also because at the present time a sufficient number of members is not available in many cases to form a quorum.

LOAN NEGOTIATIONS.

PEKING, February 27th.

A majority of the Political Committee favours negotiating with the Quintuple Syndicate for short-term loans against sufficient security, these short-term loans to be used for the repayment of some long-standing small foreign loans. An attempt will be made at the same time to arrange for interior loans for both short and long terms.

THE AFFAIR AT NANTAO.

PEKING, February 27th.

The Chinese who were arrested at Sunning were arraigned before a Court Martial at Nanking and confessed that the two Japanese who are said to have committed suicide (at Nantao) had intended to travel in their company to Tungchow, but they refused to make a statement regarding the object of the journey.

CHINA'S OIL DEPOSITS.

PEKING, February 27th.

The semi-official *Peking Daily News* supports the agreement made with the Standard Oil Company, saying that it cannot be considered as unfavourable, since China is herself incapable of exploiting the oil deposits.

THE POLITICAL COMMITTEE.

PEKING, February 27th.

It is stated that the Political Committee will continue to exist even after the Constitutional Committee has been created.

EUROPEAN SERVICE.

THE SWEDISH PARLIAMENT.

BERLIN, February 28th.

The Swedish Riksdag will be dissolved next week.

PRINCE OF WIED VISITS RUSSIA.

BERLIN, February 28th.

The Prince of Wied has left for St. Petersburg.

The Russian Press adopts an unfriendly tone and predicts the Prince's ill success. The Prince's Private Secretary, however, expresses his confidence in British assistance.

Bulgaria is sending a deputation to acclaim the Prince of Wied.

MARRIAGE OF ENVER BEY.

BERLIN, February 28th.

Enver Bey has married a daughter of the Sultan, the Princess Nadije.

FATAL EXPLOSION AT AN
ANILINE FACTORY.

BERLIN, February 28th.

An explosion took place at an aniline factory in Berlin. Many were killed or seriously injured.

THE CZAR'S ADVICE TO HIS
MINISTERS.

BERLIN, February 28th.

H.M. the Czar held a conference of the Council of Ministers, and in a speech on the Government's Programme recommended the Ministries to foster good relations with the Duma. Quarrels over trifles should be avoided.

THE DEBRECIN OUTRAGE.

BERLIN, February 28th.

The Hungarian Authorities, who have been investigating the outrage at the Bishop's palace at Debrecin, have traced it to Russian Pan-Slavistic circles.

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, February 27th.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ (PUISNE JUDGE).

"IF POSSIBLE."

With regard to the case of Harry Wickling & Co. and the Lee Heng firm, in which the claim was for \$1,000 contracted by reason of the defendants' refusal to accept and pay for seventeen cases of umbrella ribs and handles, the Puisse Judge remarked that he could not give a decision until he had more evidence. He would like to hear the manager of the plaintiff firm and obtain some idea of the real commercial meaning of the words "if possible" which appeared in the contract.

Mr. Willson is for the plaintiffs, and Mr. Faithfull is defending.

THE SAUSAGE SHOP TROUBLE.

In the case of Chee Yan trading as the Chee Yan Company, v. George Steiger, of the Belle Vue Hotel, and J. Danchev, where the claim was for \$320 for work done by contract, his Honour said that in that case the plaintiff made a contract to do certain alterations to premises. The contract was signed by someone else in addition to the person for whom the alterations were being made. Immediately under the name of the first defendant, against whom he had already given judgment, was the name of the second defendant, along with his address. The plaintiff's story was that he would not take the contract from the first defendant as the responsible person, unless he got someone else to sign as well and share the liability. The defendant said that he merely signed the contract as a witness. Well, his opinion was that anyone looking at the contract would be of the opinion that both signatories were liable, for they were exactly the same in each case. He need not say more than that. He thought the defendant had signed the contract in such a way as to make plaintiffs believe that he was going to be liable for the price of the work, and he was of the same opinion. He made himself responsible and entered into the contract. He gave judgment for the plaintiffs.

Mr. Gardiner, who appeared for the defendants, asked if the money had to be paid in full.

The Puisse Judge replied that allowance would be made for the amount which had been paid.

Mr. Haywood was for plaintiffs.

In the case of Pua Wah v. Hon Lai Kok, where the claim amounted to \$65 for materials supplied and work done, judgment was given for the defendant with costs.

DR. CANTLIE'S USE OF TUNING-
FORKS IN MEDICINE.

THE NOTES OF DISEASE.

The *Times* of the 15th inst. says:—

Some notable work has been done by Dr. James Cantlie, the tropical medicine specialist, in the use of tuning-forks in the diagnosis of obscure disease-conditions. Dr. Cantlie found that in certain cases it was exceedingly difficult with an ordinary stethoscope to obtain accurate knowledge of enlargements of such organs as the liver, spleen, stomach, and heart, more especially where enlargement was accompanied by affection of neighbouring structures. He discovered that if a tuning-fork was set vibrating, and the shaft of the fork placed against the body-wall and moved about, a note varying with the density of the organ situated immediately beneath was transmitted to the stethoscope. "In this way," he says, "the limits of the liver can be gauged with almost hair-breadth precision." The fork used gives out the note C sharp; it has a specially-designed "striker" attachment, so that it need not be removed from position for the purpose of re-vibrating.

The method has proved very useful in cases of small, localized pleurisy situated low down in the chest, which by ordinary methods cannot easily be differentiated from abscess of the liver or a liver pushed upwards towards the lung by abdominal distension. Dr. Cantlie in certain cases compared the results of his tuning-fork method with those obtained by means of X-rays, and found that the former were absolutely accurate. He believes that the method can with advantage be used in diagnosing cases of pleurisy and bronchitis generally. He has further been making observations on the different tones which are specific to different affections of the liver, and has proved that, for example, a fatty liver gives out tones distinct from those of a cirrhotic (fibrous) liver. Sufficient evidence has not yet been collected, however, to enable him to tabulate the sounds peculiar to each diseased condition.

When the young husband reached home from the office he found his wife in tears. "Oh, John," she sobbed, "I had baked a lovely cake, and I put it out on the back porch for the frosting to dry and the dog ate it!" "Well, well, don't cry about it, sweetheart," he replied, consolingly. "I know a man who will give us another dog!"

COMPANY MEETING.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND
MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

The 17th ordinary general meeting of the above Company was held at the Company's office in St. George's Building yesterday. Mr. O. A. Tomes was in the chair and those also present were:—Messrs. H. P. White, S. H. Dodwell, U. Poi On (Consulting Committee), D. McNeill, Ng Hon-tai, M. A. Figueiredo, A. S. Ellis, E. J. Grist, A. A. Cordeiro, M. B. Harris, J. Toppin, H. R. B. Hancock, C. D. Shewan and J. A. Young (secretary).

The Secretary read the notice convening the meeting, after which

The Chairman said:—With your permission we will dispense with the reading of the report. The net income is about the same as for the previous year, but the source thereof is somewhat changed, the greater portion being derived now from the earnings of the godowns and not from loans. The local money market has not been active, and we find it increasingly difficult to make profitable returns. The balance at the bank is not of long standing, as most of the loans redeemed were paid off in the last six weeks of the year. The godowns have done an active trade and have been used to their full capacity for most of the year. We are considering a plan for strengthening the upper floors of the main godowns as by so doing we can appreciably increase the receipts and more than cover the interest on further capital expenditure. Of the two important pieces of property that we have had to deal with under mortgages one has been sold at a profit and the other we are in treaty about for a sale, but at a price that will entail a loss. We are keeping these accounts open meanwhile, but anticipate when they and some other smaller ones are closed there will remain a net profit of something in the neighbourhood of \$5,000. The security of all loan accounts is good except in one instance, and this is having the attention of the Consulting Committee and ourselves, and I am not able to say whether there may be an eventual loss or not. The auditors have made several suggestions for the benefit of the Consulting Committee and General Managers, which have been duly taken note of. They recommend that an architect's valuation of the Company's properties be taken and that a formal mortgage, in a case where the Company holds a written undertaking to execute such mortgage when called upon, be made out, but the Committee agrees with the General Managers that, as these matters will entail expense which is really unnecessary, unless shareholders wish it done, it would be better to avoid the expenditure at the present time.

Before moving the adoption of the report I should be glad to answer any questions which any of the shareholders may like to put to me on the report and statement of accounts.

There were no questions, and the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and statement of accounts as read. Mr. H. P. White seconded, and the proposition was unanimously carried. Mr. HANCOCK then proposed the re-election of Messrs. H. P. White and U. Poi-on as members of the Consulting Committee. Mr. ELLIS seconded, and this was unanimously agreed to. Mr. NG HON-TAI proposed the re-election of Messrs. A. O'D. Gourdin and F. Maitland as auditors at a remuneration of \$150 each. Mr. HARRIS seconded, and this was unanimously carried. This was all the business and the Chairman announced that the dividend warrants were ready.

Mary is the most popular Christian name in England as in France, but with us John takes third place, the second being held by William. According to a calculation made from census statistics some years ago, the most popular Christian names and the number of times they occur per thousand are:—Mary, 68 per 1,000; William, 66; John, 62; Elizabeth, 61; Thomas, 59; George, 58; Sarah, 56; Anne, 53; James, 51; Charles, 53; Henry, 51; Alice, 49. In all probability both Mary and George have increased their proportion within the past two years.

The Notes of Disease.

The *Times* of the 15th inst. says:—

Some notable work has been done by Dr. James Cantlie, the tropical medicine specialist, in the use of tuning-forks in the diagnosis of obscure disease-conditions. Dr. Cantlie found that in certain cases it was exceedingly difficult with an ordinary stethoscope to obtain accurate knowledge of enlargements of such organs as the liver, spleen, stomach, and heart, more especially where enlargement was accompanied by affection of neighbouring structures. He discovered that if a tuning-fork was set vibrating, and the shaft of the fork placed against the body-wall and moved about, a note varying with the density of the organ situated immediately beneath was transmitted to the stethoscope. "In this way," he says, "the limits of the liver can be gauged with almost hair-breadth precision." The fork used gives out the note C sharp; it has a specially-designed "striker" attachment, so that it need not be removed from position for the purpose of re-vibrating.

The method has proved very useful in cases of small, localized pleurisy situated low down in the chest, which by ordinary methods cannot easily be differentiated from abscess of the liver or a liver pushed upwards towards the lung by abdominal distension. Dr. Cantlie in certain cases compared the results of his tuning-fork method with those obtained by means of X-rays, and found that the former were absolutely accurate. He believes that the method can with advantage be used in diagnosing cases of pleurisy and bronchitis generally. He has further been making observations on the different tones which are specific to different affections of the liver, and has proved that, for example, a fatty liver gives out tones distinct from those of a cirrhotic (fibrous) liver. Sufficient evidence has not yet been collected, however, to enable him to tabulate the sounds peculiar to each diseased condition.

When the young husband reached home from the office he found his wife in tears. "Oh, John," she sobbed, "I had baked a lovely cake, and I put it out on the back porch for the frosting to dry and the dog ate it!" "Well, well, don't cry about it, sweetheart," he replied, consolingly. "I know a man who will give us another dog!"

The Puisse Judge replied that allowance would be made for the amount which had been paid.

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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth in their weekly share report dated 27th February state:—

The local market during the past week has ruled quiet, and a small business has been done in investment stocks at hardening rates, the closing tone being firm. "Oil" shares, with the exception of "Shells," which have slightly receded, remain round about last week's prices. The "Rubber" market according to latest advices is firmer, and the "Tin" market dull. Fine Hard Para is quoted at 3/6 per lb., and Plantation Sheet is easier at 2/4 per lb. The open market rate of discount has advanced to 2 1/2 per cent., and the Bank of England rate is unchanged at 3 per cent. Bar Silver is quoted at 26 9/16 for ready, and 26 7/16 for forward, Sterling T.T. at 1/10, Shanghai T.T. at 7/3, and Singapore T.T. at 8/1. Consols have declined at 7 1/2.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai have been sold at \$815, at which price more shares are wanted. London quotes \$33 middle, with sellers at \$34.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions have changed hands at \$845, and at which rate they remain in demand. Cantons are also in request at \$323, with no shares on offer. North Chinas are now wanted at \$13, 130, and Yangtzes have improved to a buying rate of \$187 1/2, with no business to report.

FIRE INSURANCES.—China Fires close with a nominal quotation of \$167 1/2, and Hongkong Fires remain in demand at \$305, with no sellers in evidence.

SHIPPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao have been dealt in at \$29, and close with shares on offer at same price. Sales of Douglases have been effected at \$34, and China and Manilas have weakened to a selling quotation of \$81.

Indo-Chinas are on offer at \$75, and are advised from London as having a middle quotation of 155/-. Star Ferries have been sold at \$49 1/2 and close with a nominal quotation at same rate.

"Oils"—"Shells" are advised from London as having a middle quotation of 101/9 and Mexican Eagles of 49/-. Ural Caspians are slightly easier at 52/6 middle. Langkats have again attracted attention, and have improved to a buying rate of 7/5 1/2.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars close with buyers offering \$95, without inducing sellers, and Luzons remain neglected at \$31.

MINING.—Raabs remain in request at \$3, without leading to business, and Heawoods are unchanged with a nominal quotation of 2/6. Kailans have been sold at 41/-, at which price more shares are wanted. Tronohs have eased to a selling quotation of 30/- with no business to report.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks have led to several transactions taking place, but have failed to maintain their last week's quotation, as they now close on offer at \$75. Kowloon Wharves are also easier, with buyers at the reduced rate of \$80 1/2. New Amoy Docks remain unchanged with a nominal quotation of \$53.

Shanghai Docks have been sold at \$15, and close with buyers at \$15. 55, Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves have been sold at \$15, 100, and at which price more shares can be placed.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands remain a quiet market, with a nominal quotation of \$112, and Humphreys have sold at \$58. Kowloon Lands have buyers at \$44 ex div., and West Point is wanted at \$66, without leading to business. Hongkong Hotels are inquired for at \$120 ex div. with no business to report.

COTTON MILLS.—Hongkongs have been sold at \$8, 10, and are now on offer at the reduced price of \$6. Kung Yiks have been dealt in at \$13, 13, and Shanghai Cottons have been bought at \$12, with buyers still in evidence. Two Cottons have been a quiet market and close with a nominal quotation of \$13 1/2.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Dairy Farms are in demand at \$30, and Hongkong Trams are inquired for at the improved rate of 7/9. Green Island Cements are on offer at \$6, 30, 100, at \$155. Peak Trams (new) at \$73 cents, Waterboats at \$30, Watsons at \$73, and Powells at \$9. China Providents have been sold at \$9, and Hongkong Electric at \$44. The following close with a nominal quotation, viz. China Borneos at \$11, China Lights \$4, Hongkong Ropes \$23, Peak Trams (old) \$10, and Steam Laundries \$4 1/2.

LONDON QUOTATIONS.—The following quotations (middle price) were received from our London Agents by wire this morning:—

Indo-Chinas (Combined) 155/-
Chinese Engineerings 40/-
Hongkong Electric Trams 7/6
Tronoh Mines, Ltd. 35/8
Ural Caspians 52/6
Mexican Eagles 42/-
Shell Transports "Bearer" 101/9
British Burma Petroleum 5/-
United Serangs 10/14
Rubber Plant Int. Trust 13/14
Eastern Ind. Trust 13/6
Venture Trust, Ltd. 1/6

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 20th February, 1914. [328]

THE HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE TWENTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., on THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1914, at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1913.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 23rd February to 5th March, inclusive.

W. S. BROWN, Secretary.
Hongkong, 17th February, 1914. [303]

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

THE FORTY-FIFTH MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Company's Office, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 19th March, 1914, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1913.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 6th to the 19th March, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors.
C. PEMBERTON, Secretary.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1914. [355]

DEVONIAN SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL DINNER will be held at the **HONGKONG HOTEL** on SATURDAY, the 14th March, at 8 o'clock p.m.

Devonians wishing to attend are requested to send their names to the Hon. Secretary, **M. S. NORTHCOLE**, 5, Queen's Road Central.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1914. [348]

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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1914. [347]

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THE Interest and Responsibility of Mr. FRANK BARRINGTON DEACON in our Firm CEASED on the 3rd April, 1914.

DEACON, LOOKER, DEACON & HARBORN
Hongkong, 26th February, 1914. [346]

NOTICE.

ALL PAST AND PRESENT MEMBERS of Oxford or Cambridge Universities are requested to communicate with the undersigned with a view to forming a Register in Hongkong, and ultimately an Oxford and Cambridge Society, embracing Canton and the Coast ports.

It is earnestly requested that all Members, Past or Present, of either University, will send in their names whether they have been in the habit of attending the Oxford and Cambridge dinner during recent years or not.

The Oxford and Cambridge dinner will be held as usual, on a date to be notified later.

P. W. GOLDRING (Oxford),
6, Des Vaux Road Central.
C. D. MELBOURNE (Cambridge),
Supreme Court, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 24th February, 1914. [342]

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F. WESTON, Naval Store Officer.
H.M. NAVAL YARD, Hongkong, 25th February, 1914. [356]

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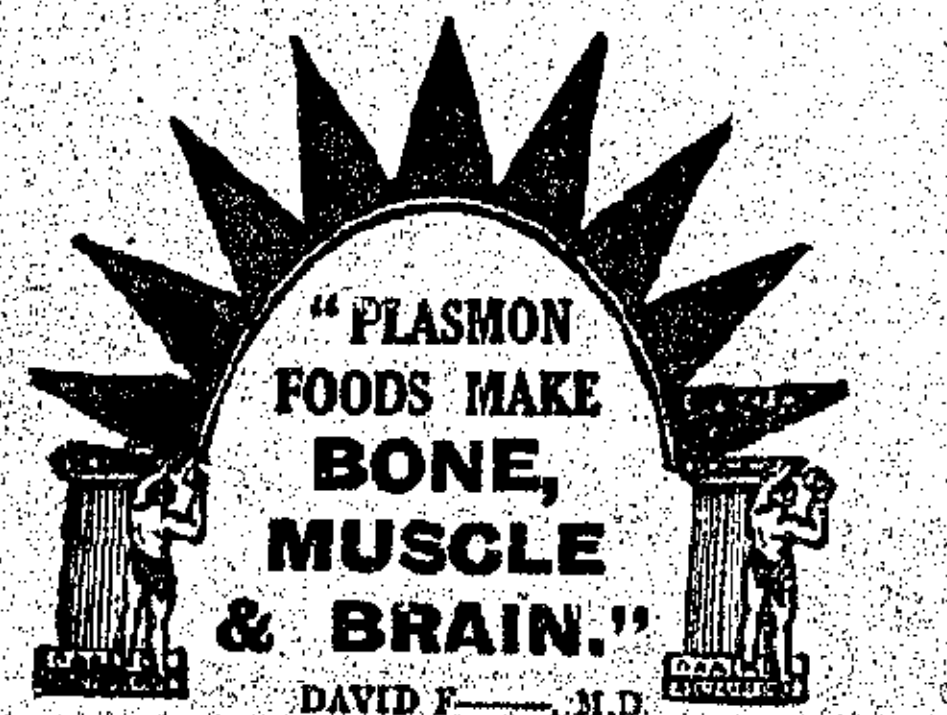
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HAMBURG LETTER.

[SPECIALLY WRITTEN FOR THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS"]

HAMBURG, January 28th.

THE MONEY MARKET.

Money is getting more plentiful from day to day; the Bank of England and the Reichsbank reduced their rates simultaneously by 1 per cent. last week, the one to 4 per cent., the other to 4½ per cent., and the government banks in other countries followed suit. It has so far, however, failed to give any fresh impetus to business, which continues dull, and although there has been a little more professional trading on the stock exchanges, the outside public remains seated on the fence awaiting further developments in the political situation in the Near East and in other matters nearer home. The news from Constantinople regarding the "Islands" sounds rather disquietening, but the general belief is that the Great Powers will succeed in preventing a serious conflict between Turkey and Greece.

THE ATLANTIC SHIPPING POOL.

A meeting of the great steamship companies in Paris last week convened for the purpose of renewing if possible the Atlantic Pool which expires on the 31st inst., has led to nothing, for although the Canadian Pacific Railway Co. and the Allan Steamship Co. had stated their willingness to rejoin, which removed one of the difficulties, the most important member, the Hamburg-America Line, was conspicuous through its absence. Herr Director Bullin, having declared that he could not take the slightest interest in the proceedings so long as the other companies were not prepared to make such concessions as his company, being the owner of the largest mercantile fleet in the world, was entitled to. This was followed by the announcement of the opening of a new line between New York and the Mediterranean and of an agreement concluded with a British Company with regard to the trade with the Persian Gulf. The Norddeutsche Lloyd is having her largest and fastest passenger steamer, the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, altered for the 3rd class and emigrant service, and rates are being steadily reduced by all the companies engaged in the North Atlantic trade. Hostilities have thus begun in real earnest, but the general impression still seems to be that, although they may go on a little longer and increase in severity, an understanding will ultimately be arrived at between the different lines. In the meantime the shares of the Hamburg-America Line and of the Norddeutsche Lloyd have lost a few points, but not necessarily owing to the failure of the Pool conference, as shipping shares are out of favour for the moment in consequence of the slackness of the export trade. The publication of the preliminary statement of accounts of the Hamburg Company, submitted to the board of directors and the council of administration at a joint meeting held on Monday last, although highly satisfactory, has caused but a slight rally in the quotations. The net earnings for the past year amount to 80 million marks as compared with 83 in the previous twelve months, and 40 in 1911. The directors, however, do not intend to propose to the shareholders at the annual general meeting to be held shortly, the distribution of a dividend exceeding that of last year, which was 10 per cent., as they deem it advisable in entering upon a period of severe competition on all sides to allocate larger amounts than usual to their reserves, more particularly to the "Competition Defence Fund." After payment of a dividend of 10 per cent. they will have 45 millions against 38 millions last year available for the purpose and for depreciation, etc. The liquid means at the end of December last amounted to 48½ million marks against 76 at the close of 1912, but this is accounted for by the heavy payments on new tonnage, being 87 millions against 48 millions in the previous year, so that the financial position of the company has improved materially. The following comparative table showing the results of the last six years may be of interest (in million marks):—

	1913	1912	1911	1910	1909	1908
Share capital	150	150	125	125	125	125
Gross earnings	56.5	43.7	39.9	33	15.3	
Net profits	60	38.5	40.4	36.6	40.6	12.9
Depreciation and reserve fund	45	38	29	24.3	20.3	12.9
Dividends 10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%

THE STATE OF TRADE.

There is hardly any improvement to report in business generally; the export trade continues stagnant; although there appears to be a little more demand for India and China, there is very little doing for Mexico and Central and South America, whilst trade with South Africa is being brought to a standstill by the ever recurring labour troubles. The energy displayed by General Botha's Government in checking the attempt at a general strike is much applauded, a wish being expressed at the same time that other Governments might act with equal decision and promptitude in suppressing socialist agitation, so inimical to the expansion of a country and the welfare of its population.

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In spite of all complaints of bad trade the returns for the past twelve months are eminently satisfactory, for not only do imports and exports show a notable increase over previous years, but what is even more important exports have increased to such an extent that the debit balance of trade has been reduced to less than a milliard marks. The figures are as follows in millions of marks:—

	1913	1912
Imports	10,695.4	10,691.4
Exports	11,228.8	11,017.1
Merchandise	10,080.6	8,958.8
Precious metals and bullion	101.4	142.7
	10,182	9,099.5

GROWING PROSPERITY.
As incomes of M.800 (£46) are subject to the income tax in Prussia an analysis of the annual returns gives a fair picture

of the financial position of the different classes of the population. In 1912 the number of contributors was equal to 11.42 per cent. of the entire population; in 1912 it had risen to 13.39, the increase not being confined to towns, but spread pretty evenly over urban and rural districts. In 1892 the number was 3,440,000, in 1913 7,330,000, their aggregate incomes being respectively M.4,601,400 and M.17,253,230; the number of persons paying on more than M.3,000 p.a. having risen from 318,880 to 830,000 or 260 per cent., whilst that of contributors in receipt of incomes below that figure has increased by 220 per cent., which shows that the working classes have had their full share of the growing prosperity of the nation.

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FASHIONS AND FANCIES.

One of the worst features of the fashion is the high heel. Another is the forward drop of the shoulders. It prevents the proper expansion of the chest and the filling of the lungs with air. We were all taught, as children, to keep our shoulders back, our chests forward. Soldiers are drilled in the same sense. Fashion has taken upon her to issue contrary orders. Should she continue in the same mind for a few years, which fortunately is very improbable—many women will be round-shouldered by that time and more or less a prey to chest and liver troubles. This condition of things will be assisted by the extremely sketchy evening bodices described in this column last Thursday.

AN IMPROVEMENT.
 Apart from these two defects, there is a decided improvement to be recorded in the prevailing modes. In Paris skirts are less restricted in width about the ankles, though many well-dressed and even more ill-dressed women still prefer to wear the very tight hobble. But the leaders of fashion, both in the capital of chiffons and on the Riviera, take their walks abroad in gowns that show a more comfortable amplitude round the hem than has been usual of late. There is still much narrowness, but there is a distinct step in the right direction.

Perhaps the cold weather has had something to do with this modification, but whatever the cause, it is to be hailed with congratulations. It is improbable that we shall ever—or at least not for many years—see the full skirts that were general twelve years ago; and it is not even desirable that we should return to them. They were unnecessarily heavy and cumbersome. Their superfluous width impeded walking, though far from the same extent as the hobble. It is too much to hope that we may arrive at a happy medium!

NECK VELVETS.
 The narrow band of velvet worn high on the throat is still in great favour. It is almost always black, but is sometimes in colour, and when the tint changes to be red reminds some of us of a grim story of the French Revolution, too ghastly to be repeated in this column of frivolities. The latest edition of the neck velvet is bordered with diamonds (or diamonds) on either side and finished with a true lovers' knot to match—sometimes the knot itself has a tassel, but this is not considered correct. The true lovers' knot has a special meaning of its own, and any unauthorised addition robs it of some of this. The tassel is as irrelevant as the neck note which inexperienced players delight in adding to an aria.

KIMONOS.
 The revival of "The Darling of the Gods" will give an impetus to the already considerable vogue of the kimono in tea-gowns and rest gowns. It has influenced ordinary dress in a high degree, and not always for the best, having added the loose, floppy movement in coats, sleeves, etc. The lovely colours, as those seen at His Majesty's Theatre will captivate the spectators, and it is more than likely that the kimono will be worn more generally than ever before.

Wonderful is that in cloth of gold with a lining of Cardinal red silk over a sky-blue silk, brocaded with golden dragons. Another seen in the play is rose-coloured, embroidered in silver. Other colour-schemes are to be seen and there is no doubt that already the dressmakers of London are busily preparing all kinds of combinations of tint in a garment that may develop extraordinarily in this Western land.

TUNICS FOR DAY AND EVENING WEAR.
 The tunic holds its own in a wonderful way in a world of change. It may be short or long, but for day wear the former seems to be preferred. It is still wired and hemmed with fur or rushes or some trimming which can be invisibly wired so that the tunic stands well out all round the wearer. For the evening it is longer, and beaded ones are the favourites. Beads in hundreds of different colours are used on these. Flowers are embroidered in their natural tints, usually upon net, and lovely designs are seen sometimes in foliage such as palm leaves, briony, fern, (maidenhair, a great favourite), clover of barley, and other effective natural forms.

Tunics are not only longer than those of last year, but the bodice and sleeves are becoming more elaborate in make. The fronts are occasionally trimmed with a line of fur, and the hem treated in the same way. A favourite method of bringing out the beaded design in its fullest effect is to wear under the tunic a semi-fitting under-tunic of lace, the skirt being in any colour, the material chamoise or crepe de chine. Or the tulle or net may be lined with white or some soft colour assorted to the tints of the beaded embroidery.

Evening dress is very lovely, just now, so beautiful are the tones of colour used. Gold shoes and stockings to match add to the decorative effect of the charming frocks, in lemon, peach, sunset-pink, almond-green (the colour of the hush), primrose, various soft tones of blue, heather tints in net or tulle, to say nothing of effects obtained by superposing transparent fabrics.

ANOTHER REVIVAL.
 Swansdown, so long out of favour except for babies' pelisses, is now a very fashionable trimming for evening wraps, whether they be white or in pale colours. Too fragile to make useful muffs, it is not seen in the daytime, but finishes satin or crepe de chine-cloaks lined with brocade or lined with soft silk. One of these is primrose on the outside, pale pink as to lining, and suggests a honeysuckle, the very name of which, suggesting summer woods and sunshine, is comforting in this cold, grey weather.

OF BLOUSES AND FICHES.
 Warm blouses are made of poplin, plain or figured, and others are in fancy woolen materials with a slight admixture of silk in them, cleverly thrown up to the surface in the weaving. Many are high in the neck, but the majority are collarless and open at the throat. There are, however, deep, all-round collars which can be donned on very cold days and provide some modicum of warmth.

Silk blouses are warm when lined with light woollen material, such as voile or delaine; and these are trimmed with tulle lace or embroidery, and, like everything else, with quantities of beads in the same colour with the silk—X and Z in the *Globe*.

THE NETHERLAND INDIES.

DUTCH GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE ENTERPRISES.

The Colonial Report for 1913, dealing with the Dutch East Indies, gives a number of interesting facts relating to the progress of the various industries.

Progress has been made in all departments of agriculture. The authorities have found it expedient to abolish the central demonstration farms, but a number of smaller farms have been opened in various districts to demonstrate to the natives modern methods of cultivating various plants. On the whole good results have been obtained. Regarding the promotion of tea planting very excellent results have accrued from the seed and the natives encouraged to extend their efforts. The area under regular cultivation on the Government lands of Java and Madura has been considerably extended by the native planters. In some districts the price of rice rose to unknown figures last year, but this was not so much the result of the harvest as of speculation on the part of certain traders.

Regarding the exploitation of the Government establishments for coffee preparation, the report mentions that, although the financial results are not as yet all that might be desired, it can be safely said that with a good harvest satisfactory results will be obtained.

The Nederlandsche Handel Maatschappij has contributed a sum of money to experiments in cotton cultivation. As a result it has been found possible to extend the plantations at Mocarolim. The area under cultivation on the Government Rubber Plantations at Langsar, Atjeh, is now 473 houns, 963 rods, with trees numbering 116,088.

THE STANDARD OIL CONCESSION

NO LOAN FOR CHINA BUT SHARES.

The Peking correspondent of the *N. C. Daily News* says:—

The arrangement concluded between the Standard Oil Co. and the Chinese Government for the exploitation of the oil fields of Chihli and Shensi includes some interesting features.

In exchange for the concession the Chinese asked, among other things, for a loan of three millions sterling, which was on the point of being concluded two months ago, when some difficulty arose with regard to flotation under the terms of the final agreement, signed by Hsuing Hai-ling, the Premier, on February 12th, the day before his resignation was gazetted.

China, instead, is to be presented with thirty-seven and a half per cent. of the stock in the company, which is to be formed, and has the option to purchase another seven and a half per cent. within two years of the formation. By this arrangement the Standard Oil Co. retains complete control, whilst the Chinese appear to have a dangerous power to realize upon their holding at their discretion.

The agreement further includes the right to construct pipelines and railways for the development of the fields—a right which, in respect of the railways of Chihli is reported to be regarded by the Japanese with disfavour. The Chihli oil field is in the district of Kienchangsien, ninety miles to the east of Jehol, a region which conceivably may be regarded by the Japanese as within the zone of their projected Jehol-Taonanfu railway.

MILLIONAIRE ON SOCIALISM.

VINCENT ASTOR AND UPTON SINCLAIR.

Mr. Vincent Astor, "America's richest young man," published on January 15th a dignified reply to an open letter in which Mr. Upton Sinclair urged him to devote his many millions to the advancing of the cause of Socialism. The argument used by the author of "The Jungle," was that there are 10,000,000 of destitute people in the country to-day, and that Socialism provides the only means of relieving their sufferings. To this Mr. Vincent Astor retorts that he is "fortunately" associated with many organizations interested in sociological questions, and that in his studies he has had the benefit of the experience and advice of the leading officers of the American Federation of Labour and the chiefs of the Railway Brotherhoods. He asserts that not one man entitled to speak for the working classes whom he has met "regards Socialism as a cure for the evils which we all recognize and deplore."

Mr. Vincent Astor begs Mr. Sinclair to accept from him copies of the *American Federationist* containing a symposium showing the all-round improvement in the standard of living in recent years among the working population of the United States. He ends by confessing an utter inability to understanding how anyone, after digesting the information therein contained, can assert, as does Mr. Sinclair, that we are "moving to-day with the speed of an avalanche into one of the most terrific cataclysms in the history of mankind."

A CHINESE FLEA-TRAP.

A flea-trap is in general use in Szechuan. It consists of two pieces of bamboo, one inside the other. The outer is about a foot in length and two and a half inches in diameter; it is longitudinally fenestrated. The inner bamboo is of equal length, but only about an inch in diameter. It is kept in position by means of a short wooden plug. The inner bamboo is coated with birdlime or the like; the outer bamboo is protective. The trap can be placed under bedclothes, among rugs and so forth; any fleas that go through get caught on the birdlime. Dr. Hindle suggests in *Knowledge* that the trap might be of great value in connection with plague epidemics.

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At present the United Kingdom exports to China manufactured articles to the value of about twice the combined value of those sent by Germany and the United States, but the trade is mainly composed of such staple articles as cotton, and in such lines as metals and metal wares the British trade is little more than equal to that of Germany, and distinctly less than that combined trade of our two greatest rivals.

It is in these "side lines" that the British firms have the greatest chance of increasing their trade, and on these the commissioner will be able to provide useful information. A similar commission is to be sent to Siberia, but in this case, subject to the consent of the Foreign Office, the inquiries will be made by our Commercial Attaché in St. Petersburg.

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SHIPPING NOTES.

A regular steamer service between Chemulpo, Chefoo, Dairen, and Tientsin by the Chosen Yusen Kaisha will materialize in April. Steamers for the proposed route will be either chartered or purchased from abroad.

Two coasting steamers are under construction in Japan to the order of the South Manchuria Railway Co., one at the Mitsubishi Shipbuilding Yard, Kobe, and the other at the Osaka Iron Works. The one building at Kobe is expected to be launched this month.

The Japanese steamer *Nan-etsu Maru*, 1,332 tons, while leaving the port of Chemulpo recently collided with the O.S.K. str. *Miyashima Maru*, owing to a swift current on the ebb tide and a strong northerly wind, and foundered at a point near Getsu-bito Island at the mouth of the port.

The N.D.L. steamer *Machen*, which arrived at Bangkok from Hongkong on the 11th inst., has completed her two hundredth trip to Bangkok. She is in charge of Capt. Rudolf Zoelner, who is a well-known and popular N.D.L. captain in Bangkok. He has been there in charge of the steamer *Machen* on eighty trips.

Messrs. Archibald McMillan & Son, Ltd., Dumbarton, have launched the steel screw steamer *Rouva*, which they have built to the order of the Stoomvaart Maatschappij Nederland. The dimensions of the vessel, which is of the shelter-deck type, are:—Length over all, 470ft.; breadth, 53ft.; and depth, moulded to shelter deck, 35ft. 3in. The vessel when completed, will trade in the Far East, and is specially arranged for the transport of pilgrims.

The Chinese steamer *Tong Lee*, 1,408 tons, formerly the Norwegian steamer *Dagry*, recently purchased by the Cheong Cheong Co., Chefoo, from Messrs. Angard, Thorsen & Co., has had her repairs and overhauling completed at the Kawasaki Dock, Dairen, and was subjected to a series of speed trials which proved satisfactory. A mean speed of 94 knots was developed. The steamer is to be employed in the transportation of bean cake from Dairen to Japan.

The amount of the annual shipping subsidies to be granted by the Japanese Communications Department on the various regular steamer services for the next fiscal year has been fixed at ¥15,005,094, showing a decrease of ¥505,601 over the present fiscal year. The particulars follow:—

Japan-Europe route	¥3,105,108
(Nippon Yusen Kaisha)	
Japan-China route	670,000
(N.Y.K. and O.S.K.)	
Japan-Dairen route	100,000
(Osaka Shosen Kaisha)	
Japan-North China route	180,000
(Nippon Yusen Kaisha)	
Japan-Vladivostok route	25,000
(Osaka Shosen Kaisha)	
Other routes	9,174,988

The Northumberland Shipbuilding Company, Ltd., have launched from their yard at Heydon-on-Tyne a steel screw steamer, the *Frisia*, built to the order of the Hamburg-Amerika Line, Hamburg. The vessel is about 425 feet in length and 52 feet beam, with three complete steel decks, and will, when completed, have a deadweight of about 9,000 tons. It is constructed in the most up-to-date manner—namely, on the deep hull angle frame principle, having clear holds, and is fitted with the latest improvements and appliances, including electric light, to make her in every way a first-class liner. Water ballast is carried in the double bottom deep tank and after-peak. To facilitate the handling of cargo the vessel will be fitted with fifteen steam winches and fourteen derricks.

Following the recent collapse of the Cuban and Piuma sugar tariffs, says the *Liverpool Daily Post*, another of the remaining tariffs is threatened with extinction. Owing to a quite recent breach of the tariff for construction risks of vessels of a total value of £250,000 and over, several underwriters, who are signatories thereto, have indicated their intention of withdrawing from the tariff. Indeed, so disgusted are they at the slackness on the part of a section of the marine insurance market in relation to the strict observance of existing agreements, that a wholesale jettison of all tariffs is threatened. The construction risks agreement has been in force since July, 1909, and has several times been amended. Although no actual tariff exists for construction risks having a completed value of under £250,000, there has been a tacit understanding that a scale drawn up for these some two years ago should be observed. Within the past few weeks this also has "gone by the board," and individual underwriters now exercise their own judgment, with the result that rates have reverted to those current before the scale referred to was drawn up.

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THE AMERICAN MAIL.
The P.M. str. *China* left Yokohama for Hongkong via Manila on the 23rd February. The United States mail has been transferred to the I.G.M. str. *Derfflinger*, which is due to arrive here on the 2nd March.

THE AUSTRALIAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. *Coblenz* left Yap on the 25th February, p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 14th March. The E. & A. str. *Eastern* left Sydney on the 18th February, p.m., for this port (via Queensland Ports, Port Darwin, Timor and Manila), and may be expected to arrive here on or about 14th March.

THE GERMAN MAIL.
The I.G.M. str. *Prinz Eitel Friedrich*, carrying the German mails, with dates from Berlin of the 14th February, left Colombo on the 22nd February, p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 5th March.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.
The str. *Zuflo* left Manila on the 25th February, and is due here on the 28th February, at daylight.
The str. *Glenoglen* left Singapore on the 22nd February, and is due here on the 28th February, p.m.
The German str. *Borneo* left Sandakan on the 21st February, p.m., and may be expected here on or about 23rd February, a.m.

The A.L. str. *Austria* left Singapore for this port on the 25th February, and will arrive here on the 28th February.
The H.A.L. str. *O. J. D. Ahlers* left Shanghai on the 25th February, a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 28th February, a.m.

The N.Y.K. str. *Sado Maru* (American Line) left Seattle for this port on the 27th January, and is expected here on the 1st March.
The H.A.L. str. *Assyria* left Singapore on the 22nd February, a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 2nd March, a.m.

The A.L. str. *Africa* left Singapore for this port on the 25th February, p.m., and will arrive here on the 3rd March, a.m.
The N.Y.K. str. *Kashima Maru* (European Line) left London for this port via ports or the 31st January, and is expected here on the 11th March.
The Mogul Line str. *Palhan* left U.K. on the 25th January, and is due to arrive here on or about 5th March.

The Barber Line str. *Satsuma* left New York on the 14th January, and is due to arrive here on or about 14th March.
The N.Y.K. str. *Yokohama Maru* (American Line) left Seattle for this port via ports on the 10th February, and is expected here on the 15th March.
The Mogul Line str. *Lothian* left United Kingdom on the 21st February, for Hongkong via Straits, and is due to arrive here on the 3rd April.

The American & Manchurian Line str. *Kia* passed the Suez Canal on the 24th February for Hongkong direct.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.
Nansang, from Singapore, is due in Hongkong 1st March.
Yaching, from Calcutta, is due in Hongkong 5th March.
Manung, from Fremantle, is due in Hongkong 10th March.

SHIRE LINE, LIMITED.
Radnorshire, from Singapore, is due in Hongkong 3th March.
Den of Arde, from Pacific, is due in Hongkong 6th March.

SHIPPING IN PORT.

CHINGHOW, British str., 1,195, Doyle, 22nd February—Saigon 17th February, Rice—Shewan, Tomes & Co.
CHIYO MARU, Japanese str., 7,250, W. W. Greene, 26th February—San Francisco 27th January, General—Toyo Kisen Kaisha.
DAIOI MARU, Japanese str., 899, Tokushige, 24th February—Swatow 23rd February, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
DAIKOKU MARU, Japanese str., 2,539, Nakagawa, 25th February—Dairen 20th February, Coal—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
DIWATA, British str., 3,490, Ramage, 25th February—Mojito 20th February, Coal—David Sassoon & Co.

DENNER, British str., E. G. M. Dickinson, 25th February—Calcutta, General—David Sassoon & Co.
EMPRESS OF JAPAN, British str., 3,039, W. Dixon, Hopcraft, 8th February—Vancouver 16th January, Flour and General—Canadian Pacific Railway.
EMPRESS OF RUSSIA, British str., 6,789, W. Davison, 18th February—Vancouver 20th January, Mails and General—Canadian Pacific Railway Co.
FAUBANG, British str., 1,356, H. Malkin, 24th February—Saigon 20th February, Rice and Timber—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

FEICHING, Chinese str., 979, A. A. Crawford, 25th February—Tientsin 22nd February, General—Chinese.
FUKUKA MARU, Japanese str., 3,178, Y. Goto, 26th February—Mojito 20th February, Coal—Mitsui Bishi Goshi Kaisha.

GERMINI, British str., 1,065, E. Javes, 22nd February—Bangkok 15th February, Rice—A. Buns & Co.
HINSANG, British str., 2,474, A. Kennedy, 21st February—Sandakan 16th February, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

HISSEI MARU, Japanese str., 3,079, H. Takahashi, 20th February—Borneo 13th February, Timber—A. Buns & Co.
KANGKOW, British str., 1,223, H. Y. Laver, 25th February—Shanghai 22nd February, General—Butterfield & Swire.

KAWACHI MARU, Japanese str., 3,925, Christensen, 25th February—Bombay and Singapore 15th February, General—Nippon Yusen Kaisha.
KWANGSEI, British str., 1,008, G. J. Spink, 19th February—Daly 13th February, General—Butterfield & Swire.
KWEILIN, British str., 1,673, G. D. Mills, 23rd February—Wakamatsu 16th February, Coal—Butterfield & Swire.

LAERTES, British str., 1,340, Wawn, 21st February—Saigon 2nd February, General—Chinese.
LOKANG, British str., 978, D. W. Ritchie, 26th February—Shanghai 22nd February, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LOONGKANG, British str., 1,903, W. G. G. Leask, 24th February—Manila 21st February, General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MAGREW, German str., 990, R. Zollner, 25th February—Hohow 23rd February, Rice and General—Butterfield & Swire.

MEXICO CITY, British str., 3,179, N. A. Starkey, 21st February—Mojito 10th Feb. Coal—General str., 4,119, S. Schan, 24th February—San Francisco 26th January, Oil—Standard Oil Co.
OPLAND, Norwegian str., 843, H. L. Eriksen, 24th February—Saigon 19th February, Rice—Order.

PANAMA MARU, Japanese str., 3,900, J. Kanno, 20th February—Shanghai 18th February, General—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
PITKANULOK, German str., 1,264, W. Taubert, 25th February—Bangkok 19th February, Rice—Butterfield & Swire.
SABINE RICKMEERS, Dutch str., 573, Jagt, 25th February—Tamsui 23rd February, Ballast—Asiatic Petroleum Co.

SHINCHIKU MARU, Japanese str., 1,839, Dori, 25th February—Mojito 19th February, Coal—Osaka Shosen Kaisha.
SIBERIA, American str., 6,653, Adrian Zeeder, 21st February—San Francisco 22nd January, General—Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

SIRONIA, German str., 5,594, B. Kotzke, 25th February—Mojito 20th February, General—Hamburg-Amerika Linie.
THONE FAEGLUND, Norwegian str., 2,823, M. B. Hansen, 23rd February—Lantaka, 13th February, Sugar—A. Buns & Co.

VANCOUVER, British str., 2,890, H. Y. Hart, 22nd February—Durban 21st February, Case Oil—Standard Oil Co.

PASSED THE CANAL.
January 13th—Denbighshire, Eumaeus, Glenloch, Sagovia.
January 16th—Austria, Brasilia.
January 16th—Sachsen.
January 20th—Perseus, Sardinia.
January 27th—Glenoglen, Myrmidon.
February 6th—Neleus.
February 10th—Benarty, Candia, Prinz Eitel Friedrich, Yeddo, Baron Driesen, Baron Jedburgh.
February 13th—E. F. Ferdinand, Jason, Luizow, Peking, Afghan Prince, Den of Glamis, Siletia, Emden, Amazone, Sudmark, Goldenfels, Indrakula.
February 17th—Persia, Satsuma, Bechuana.
February 22nd—Borneo, C. Ferdi, Laetit, Devotion, Dumbra, Titan, Hoerde, Loomedon.
February 24th—Benavrich, Nubia, Shimosa, Trieste, Torck, Arabia, Kioto.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

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THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamer

"MALTA"
Arrived Hongkong on 22nd February, 1914, FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, MALTA, PORT SAID, SUEZ AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo by the above-named vessel are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional Goods will be landed here unless instructions are given to the contrary within 6 hours.
Goods not cleared within 8 days including date of arrival will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD and DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M. on MONDAYS and THURSDAYS. All Claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised. No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.

E. A. HEWETT, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1914. [1]

S.S. "AUSTRIAN,"

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London ex str. "Normand," or "Breton," from Nantes ex str. "Cachet," and from Havre ex str. "Basque," in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that their goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., at Kowloon, where delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before Noon To-day requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned, Goods remaining unclaimed after 24th inst. at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 2nd March, or they will not be recognised. All damaged packages will be examined on 28th inst. at 10 A.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

S. C. de BUSSIERE, Acting Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1914. [2]

"HEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "BENALDER,"

FROM ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO, LONDON AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and from the wharves delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 2nd March will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 9th March, or they will not be recognised. All broken, damaged and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd March, at 11 A.M.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 23rd February, 1914. [359]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM PORTLAND (ON) AND PUGET SOUND PORTS.

THE H.A.L. Steamship

"SITRONIA"
Captain Eckhorn, having arrived, Consignees are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.
Cargo remaining undelivered on MONDAY, 2nd Mar., at Noon, will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense, and delivery must then be taken from the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co.'s Godowns.

Cargo remaining undelivered on 8th March, at Noon, will, in addition to landing charges, be subject to storage charges.
No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected. All claimed and otherwise damaged Cargo to be left on board or in the Godown; the examination of same to be held on 8th March, at 10 A.M.

Claims must be accompanied by short delivery notes or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery by Consignees and signed for and on behalf of H.A.L.
All Claims must be filed on or before the 15th March, otherwise they will not be recognised.

HAMBURG-AMERICA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 25th February, 1914. [350]

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

S.S. "CHIYO MARU."

FROM SAN FRANCISCO VIA HONOLULU, JAPAN PORTS AND MANILA.

The above-named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of Cargo from alongside.
Cargo remaining undelivered on the 28th inst. at Noon will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense and delivery must then be taken from the Company's Godown.
No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected. No Claim will be recognised after the Goods have left the Steamer or Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered on the 4th March will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All Claims must be filed on or before 11th March, otherwise they will not be recognised.

S. MORIMOTO, Agent.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1914. [359]

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 27th at 11.10 a.m.—The anti-cyclone is now central over the Yellow Sea. A somewhat deep depression lies to the east of Hokkaido.

Pressures have increased considerably over S. Japan, moderately over N.E. China and slightly over London. It has decreased slightly along the south coast of China and over central Annam.

The monsoon will be interrupted to the north of Foochow, and will moderate over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.10 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

DIRECTIONS. FORECAST.

Hongkong & Neighbourhood (S. winds, moderate; S.W. winds, moderate; occasional rain)

Formosa Channel (N.E. gale, moderating)

South coast of China between (The same as Hongkong and Lamcocks.) No. 1.

South coast of China between (The same as Hongkong and Hainan) No. 1.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, February 27th.

Previous On Date On Date

Day at 2 p.m. 6 a.m. 2 p.m.

Barometer 30.09 30.09 30.15

Temperature 53 59 60

Humidity 74 94 96

Wind Direction East East East

Force 5 6 7

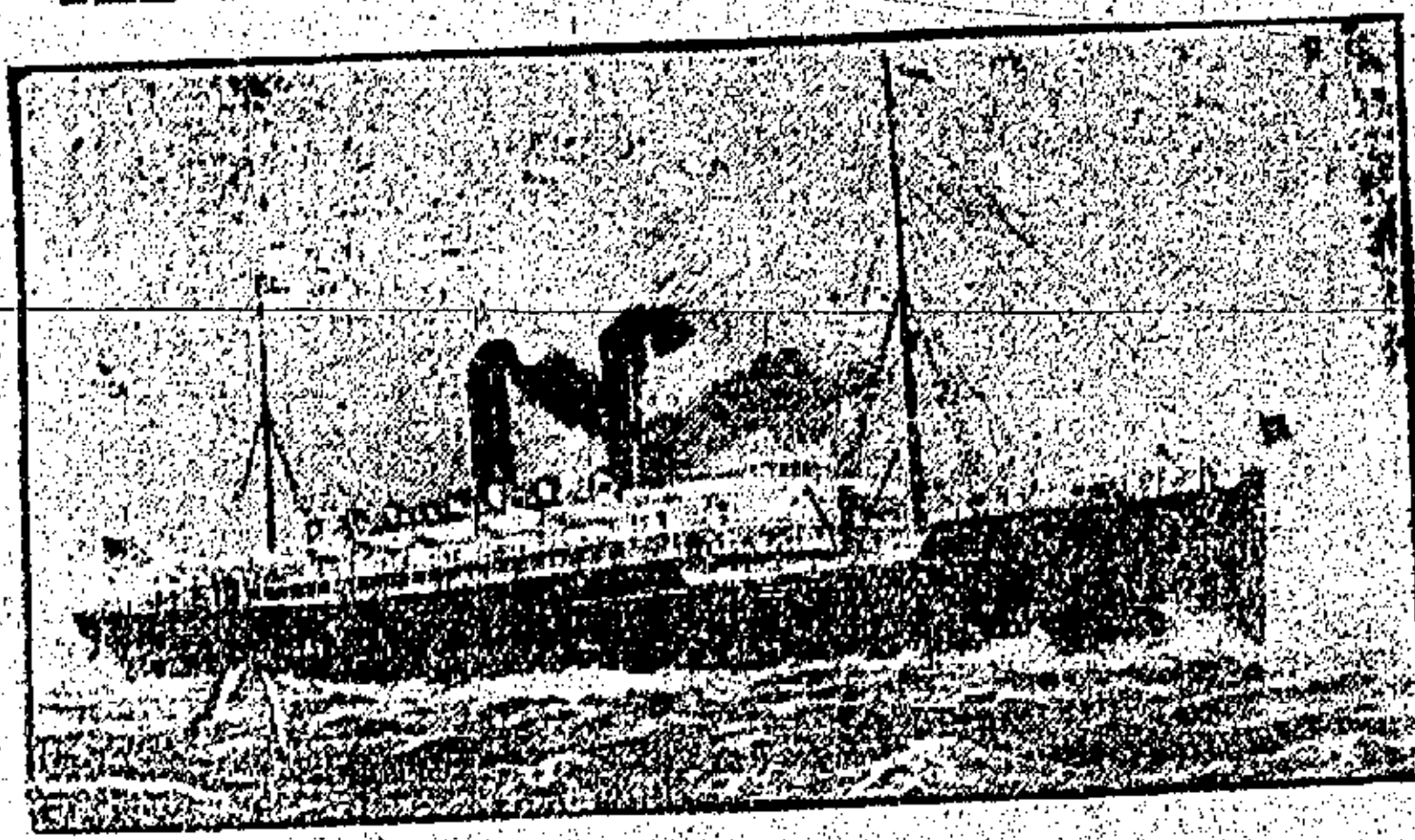
Weather 0 0 0

Rain 0.10

Highest open air Temperature on 26th... 63

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STEAMERS	Tons	Sailing
SIBERIA	18,000	TUESDAY, 3rd Mar., at 1 p.m.
CHINA	18,000	SATURDAY, 14th Mar., at Noon.
MANCHURIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 21st Mar., at 1 p.m.
NILE	11,000	TUESDAY, 31st Mar., at Noon.
MONGOLIA	27,000	SATURDAY, 11th Apr., at 1 p.m.
PERSIA	27,000	TUESDAY, 28th Apr., at Noon.
KOREA	18,000	SATURDAY, 9th May, at 1 p.m.

S.S. "CHINA" S.S. "NILE" and S.S. "PERSIA" will proceed to Manila and hence direct to Nagasaki.

HONGKONG-MANILA SERVICE.

From HONGKONG	Arrive Manila	Leave Manila	Due Hongkong
14th Mar. ... CHINA	16th Mar.	3rd Mar. ... CHINA	5th Mar.
31st Mar. ... NILE	2nd Apr.	12th Mar. ... MANCHURIA	14th Mar.
28th Apr. ... PERSIA	30th Apr.	16th Mar. ... NILE	18th Mar.
27th May. ... CHINA	29th May	2nd Apr. ... MONGOLIA	4th Apr.

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FROM HONGKONG:	Connecting with "SURA"	FROM COLOMBO:
28th February	17th March	

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S.S. "DUNERA" 5,389 tons, Capt. E. G. M. Dickinson, will be despatched to YOKOHAMA, KOBE and MOJI on 3rd March, at Noon.
S.S. "ABRATON APOAR" 4,450 tons, Capt. W. Walker, will be despatched SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and MOJI on 18th March.

WESTWARD
S.S. "DILWARA" 5,328 tons, Captain G. N. Bamsage, M.S., will be despatched for SINGAPORE, PENANG and CALCUTTA on 2nd March.
S.S. "GREGORY APCAR" 4,600 tons, Capt. J. E. Drake, will be despatched as above on 12th March.
The above Steamers have excellent Saloon accommodation for Passengers and are fitted with all modern conveniences and carry a duly qualified surgeon.
For Freight or passage, apply to
DAVID SASSOON & CO., LTD.,
Hongkong, 28th February, 1914 AGENTS.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)
DESTINATION STEAMERS TONS DATE OF SAILINGS
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, "PERKING" 6,500 About 21st March
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VIA SUEZ CANAL.

For	STEAMER	To SAIL
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	ATLANTIQUE	On 9th March
YOKOHAMA	NEA	On 23rd March
MASSILLON VIA PORTS	AUSTRALIEN	On 10th March, at 1 p.m.
		On 24th March, at 1 p.m.

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JOINT SERVICE OF THE HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO., LTD., AND CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

HONGKONG-CANTON LINE.
HONGKONG TO CANTON.
SATURDAY, 28th FEB., 1914.
8 a.m. HONAM.
10 p.m. HEUNGSHAN.
CANTON TO HONGKONG.
SATURDAY, 28th FEB., 1914.
8 a.m. HEUNGSHAN.
5 p.m. KINSHAN.
SUNDAY, 1st MARCH, 1914.
10 p.m. FATSHAN.
4 p.m. HEUNGSHAN.

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HONGKONG TO MACAO.
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Week days at 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf. Sundays at 9 a.m. and 12.30 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf.
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Week days at 7.30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Sundays at 7.30 a.m. and 2 p.m.

EXCURSION TO MACAO.
SUNDAY, 1st MARCH, 1914.
The Company's New Steamship "TAISHAN".

Will depart from the Wing Lok Street Wharf at 9 a.m. and return from Macao at 4 p.m. N.B.—The Company will also run a Steamer from Macao on Sunday morning at 7.30 a.m. and from Hongkong at 12.30 p.m. from the Company's Wing Lok Street Wharf. This Steamer connects with the Excursion Steamer returning from Macao at 8 p.m.

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Further particulars may be obtained at the Office of the Company.

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Departures from Macao to Canton on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 9 p.m.
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SHIP	TONS	CAPTAIN	FOR	SAILING DATE
ZAFIRO	4000	F. S. McMurray	Manila, Mangarin, Cebu and Iloilo	On 3rd Mar., 4 p.m.
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REGULAR SERVICES,
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

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SOUTH AMERICA LINE.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA VIA JAPAN PORTS.

STEAMER	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
"PANAMA MARU"	J. Kanto	WEDNESDAY, 4th March, at 1 p.m.
"SEATTLE MARU"	T. Saito	SATURDAY, 21st March, at 1 p.m.
"MEXICO MARU"	N. Kobayashi	WEDNESDAY, 1st April, at 1 p.m.
"CHICAGO MARU"	I. Goto	THURSDAY, 15th April, at 1 p.m.
"CANADA MARU"	H. Yamamoto	WEDNESDAY, 29th April, at 1 p.m.
"TACOMA MARU"	T. Hamada	THURSDAY, 14th May, at 1 p.m.

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STEAMER	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
"LUZON MARU"	K. Sakawa	SUNDAY, 8th Mar., a.m.

CHINA AND FORMOSA LINE.

FOR FOCHOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

STEAMER	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
"KAJO MARU"	Y. Yamamoto	WEDNESDAY, 4th March, at 1 p.m.

FOR TAMSUI VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

STEAMER	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
"DIJIN MARU"	K. Murakami	THURSDAY, 5th Mar., at 10 a.m.
"DAIGI MARU"	S. Tokunaga	SUNDAY, 8th Mar., at 10 a.m.

FOR ANPING AND TAKAO VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

STEAMER	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
"SOBU MARU"	K. Tashira	WEDNESDAY, 4th Mar., at 8 a.m.

FOR CANTON.

STEAMER	CAPTAIN	LEAVING
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DESTINATIONS STEAMERS AND DISPLACEMENT TONS SAILING DATE

MASSILLON, LONDON and ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, SUEZ and PORT SAID.

VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and YOKOHAMA.

SYDNEY and MELBOURNE VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE and BRISBANE.

CALCUTTA VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG and RANGOON.

BOMBAY via SINGAPORE, and COLOMBO.

SHANGHAI, MOJI and KOBE.

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